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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and consider the following remarks:

In the Written Description:

On page 1, before "Background of the Invention," please insert the following paragraph:

This is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 09/233,4098, filed on January 19, 1999, which is based on U.S. provisional patent application Serial no. 60/071,906, filed on January 20, 1998. The entire disclosure of both applications is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph spanning pages 3 and 4 with the following paragraph:

Probe materials generally are engineered molecular materials that are designed to have an affinity to one or more constituents that may be expected to be found in the tissue, fluid or chemical mix to be analyzed. These probe